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3W4VL AND 3W4DK QSL INFO. Paul, OK3IA, states he is the QSL Manager for these stations and to QSL to his home address: Pavel Horvath, Radvanska 16, 81101 Bratislava, Slovakia. He also states you that can use the Slovak QSL Bureau: P.O. Box 44, 81000, Bratislava 1, Slovakia.

D2, ANGOLA. Another new D2 station showed up this weekend. Look for Andre, D2/N4WBE, who was spotted on the 14226 DX net around 2045z. QSL via KD4DWY.

P5, NORTH KOREA. PY2PE reported that Romeo (3W3RR) is planning another assault on North Korea, and this time "to do it right". The implication is more bands, better antennas, etc. W4ZQ reported that Romeo also told him the same information directly. He will also reportedly use a different callsign. No time frame for the operation was given.

John, K1ER, reports he received a note from Josef, OK1DTG, addressing the activity by P5DTG and P5100 whose operators claimed to be OK1DTG. Josef stated he was home and both P5 station are certainly no good.

PACIFIC DXPEDITION TO ZK1 AND 5W1/KH8. Ragnar/DL7URH reports that Tom/DL2RUM, Frank/DL7UFR, Tom/DL7UTR, Siggi/DL7UU0, Joe/DL7VTK and himself will be traveling and operating during February 4th thru February 28th from the South Pacific. (ZK1 - Feb. 6th to Feb. 15th, and 5W1/KH8 - Feb. 17th to Feb. 28th). They will have two stations with amps, beams, dipoles and verticals antennas. Activity will be all bands (including the WARC) on CW and SSB. Look for them on the following frequencies: CW - 3505, 7005, 10105, 14025, 18080, 21025, 24895, 28025 SSB - 3795, 7045, 14195, 18130, 21295, 24945, 28495. QSL via DL7UU0 (ex Y23U0), Siggi Presch, Wilhelmsmuehlenweg 123, 1144 Berlin, Germany or via bureau.

XQOX, SAN FELIX. John, XQOX, was heard on 24945 kHz around 1645z this past weekend. QSL via CE3ESS.

DXAC HAPPENINGS. The DXAC has voted to recommend to the ARRL Awards Committee that Abu-Ail be deleted from the DXCC Countries list effective March 31, 1991. The vote to delete was: Yes/10 No/6. The DXAC's vote on new DXCC country status consideration for the Temburong District (part of Brunei Darussalam - V85) was not to recommend it to be added to the DXCC Countries List. The vote was: Yes/0 No/16. In another vote, the DXAC has voted to submit the "Operating Ethics Report" to the ARRL Board of Directors for consideration (This deals with disqualification

criteria for DXpeditions). The vote was: Yes/9 No/5 Abstain/2. The DXAC has also voted to recommend to change the DXCC Rules to allow Field Reps to check cards for any new DXCC awards (not just "first-ever"). Excluded from this program would be endorsements, 5BDXCC, 6-meter, 2-meter and satellite DXCC. The vote was: Yes/16 No/0.

In the future, the DXAC will be looking into the following DXCC countries changes: the possible deletion of Mount Athos, the removal of Eritrea from the deleted DXCC Countries List and add it to the DXCC Countries List, and the DXCC Country status of the Czechoslovakia (A possibility of a deletion and two new DXCC countries added to the DXCC Countries List may occur or some other combination of deletions and additions).

VU7, LACCADIVE ISLANDS. Activity continues by the Indian group from here until January 20th or possibly 23rd. The operators are VU2SF, VU2API and VU2LZ signing VU7SF and VU7API. Most of the activity has been on SSB on 14195 kHz, but there has been some CW activity between 14005 to 14010 kHz.

SAD NOTE! It was reported in WORLDRADIO (Feb. 1993 issue) that Geni, ZA1B, has been stricken with an unusual kidney disease. Many may remember Geni as being instrumental in finally getting Albania on the air for the ZA1A operation. He will be receiving medical treatment in the U.S. thanks to Dr. Warren Hill, KF7AY, and Dr. Vince Thompson, K5VT. Learning of Geni's situation, Martti Laine, OH2BH, has contacted amateurs in the U.S., Japan and Europe. Contributions are being accepted through the following contacts: ZA1B, Project Goodwill USA, West Valley Amateur Radio Club, c/o Consulate of Finland, P.O. Box 1036, Sun City, AZ 85372-1036 - ZA1B, Project Goodwill Europe, c/o Martti Laine, OH2BH, Nuottaniementie 10D20, 02230 Espoo, Finland - ZA1B, Project Goodwill Japan, c/o Kan Mizoguchi, JA1BK, Sumitomo Suidobashi Bldg., 8F, 7-8, Saragakucho 2 Chrome, Chiyoda-Ku, Tokyo 101, Japan.

WANTED! The Foundation for Amateur International Radio Service (FAIRS) will be taking a trip to Bangladesh the first two weeks of March this year. (FAIRS is an organization dedicated to sharing good-will and technology via amateur radio.) They are looking for an experienced operator to go on the trip. The operator will need to pay his/her own expenses, but equipment will be provided. If you are interested, contact David Larson, KK4WW.

NOW FOR THE BAD NEWS!!! Do to a major computer malfuncation, ballots that were saved to a file were lost. The only ballots that were not lost were the ones mailed and the optional PacketCluster Sysop questions. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, R E S E N D YOUR BALLOTS and your comments. The comments were great this year. The deadline has been moved to February 28. SO PLEASE KEEP THOSE BALLOTS COMING! Ballots for the Second Annual OPDX/NODXA DX Survey can be found in OPDX.088. Ballots can be sent to the following packet and online addresses listed below.

FAX YOUR DX INFORMATION NOW! This is just in the testing stage, but faxing will be available Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 0430 to 2030z only. The number is 216-237-2816 and operates only Class 2 Fax. Use only the dates and times specified because this is not a dedicated line.

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